



California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM)

General Counsel to the President

CIRM was established in 2004 with the passage of Proposition 71, the California Stem Cell Research and Cures Initiative. The statewide ballot measure, which provided \$3 billion in funding for stem cell research at California universities and research institutions, was approved by California voters, and called for the establishment of an entity to make grants and provide loans for stem cell research, research facilities, and other vital research opportunities. For more information, please visit www.cirm.ca.gov.

Under the general direction of the President and Vice President-Operations, the Counsel to the President will lead the strategic and tactical legal initiatives for the Institute. He/She acts as legal counsel to the President and confers with and advises the Vice President-Operations, Chief Scientific Officer, Chief Communications Officer and other senior staff of the Institute. He/She confers with and advises with members of the public and officials of the State, City and Federal Government with respect to legal rights and obligations in connection with CIRM's regulations. He/She serves as member of executive leadership team of the Institute and on committees of the Institute as required. He/She participates in the identification and development of Institute policies, procedures and programs and provides continuing counsel and guidance on all legal matters and on legal implications. He/She serves as key legal advisor on all major business transactions of CIRM administration. He/She advises on all corporate, legal, compliance, and regulatory matters including but not limited to general contracts, third party agreements, vendor/supplier relationships, employment laws, contracts, employment policies, conflict of interest issues and intellectual property. He/She advises the President and Executive Officers on matters that relate to the working relationship of CIRM to the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee (ICOC) and works in conjunction with legal advisors of the ICOC to enable a smooth and productive relationship.

Qualifications:

- J.D. and licensed to practice law in the State of California.
- Minimum of ten years law practice experience, unless practice supplemented by specialized relevant professional and technical knowledge or experience.
- Ability to communicate effectively in writing and in oral presentations with a variety of contacts, including outside attorneys, senior management, other public officials, the public, the press and staff.
- Experience advising large public agency boards.
- Experience resolving conflict between groups with opposing perspectives, agendas, or priorities.
- Excellent organizational skills and demonstrated ability to plan and act independently.
- Ability to synthesize, clarify, and disseminate complex information to all levels of staff.



- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment.

Desired Qualifications:

- Experience with a scientific or biomedical research organization, either non-profit or for-profit.
- Experience with rules and regulations of state government
- Understanding of the principles, practices and challenges facing the use of stem cells in research for scientific, medical and technical applications.
- Experience with research and/or medical facilities development of legal issues.
- Experience with legal issues dealing with organizational management and administrative law.
- Experience in both litigation and transactional practice.

Salary Range

This position will be hired at Level 9 (\$150,000-\$277,500). Salary will be commensurate with the candidate's skills, knowledge and experience.

CIRM offers a very competitive benefit package as a California state agency.

The filing deadline is Monday, August 18 at 5 pm and the position is open until a suitable candidate is found.

HOW TO APPLY: Interested candidates please submit:

- Cover letter
- CV/Resume
- California State application (STD. 678) which can be obtained from our website at <http://www.cirm.ca.gov/jobs/> to:

jobs@cirm.ca.gov or CIRM Search, 210 King Street San Francisco, CA 94107.

CIRM is an Equal Opportunity Employer and committed to a diverse workforce.